(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. The State of Tamil Nadu has been assisted under the scheme, "Assistance to State Poultry Farms". The scheme is aimed for rural backyard poultry development and 2 farms at Katupakkam, Kanchipuram districts and Hosur, Krishnagiri district have been assisted. The farms have been assisted during 2004-05 for Rs. 99.756 lakhs in total for both the farms.

Survey to assess crop production

2065. SHRI T.T.V. DHINAKARAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have done any survey to assess as to which crops are produced in excess and which ones are produced less than the domestic demand;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government would set up regional cells to inform the farmers about the crops that would be in demand in the coming years so that they can go in for such crops?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA): (a) to (c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Opening of Agricultural Research Institute in **Rajasthan**

†2066. SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of agro-climatic zones which exist in Rajasthan;

(b) whether it is a fact that seed, fertilizer and agricultural processes of one zone cannot be duplicated in another zone;

(c) whether there is any plan to open an agricultural research institute, keeping in view the conditions of Rajasthan; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA): (a) As per Planning Commission of India, there are following four agro-climatic zones:-

1. Western Dry Region.

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